GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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GUJARAT CONTROL OF ORGANISED CRIME BILL -2003
Pathak Shri Harin

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Government of Gujarat has submitted `Gujarat Control of Organized Crime Bill-2003` for the assent of Government of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has approved such bills of other States;

(d) if so, details of such bills approved;

(e) whether Government intends to approve the `Gujarat Control of Organized Crime Bill-2003`;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) if so, the time by which it is likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Govt. of Gujarat proposed to enact the Gujarat Control of Organized Crime Bill - 2003 on the lines of Maharashtra Control of Organized Crime Act, 1999 to curb the activities of organized criminal gangs operating in the State.

(c) & (d): The Government has approved the following State Bills:- Name of the Bill

i. The Maharashtra Control of Organized Crime Bill, 1999

ii. The Andhra Pradesh Control of Organized Crime Bill, 2001

iii. The Karnataka Control of Organized Crime Bill, 2000

(e) to (g): The State Legislations are examined from three angles viz

(a) repugnancy with Central Laws,

(b) deviation from National or Central Policy and

(c) legal and constitutional validity. In the case of Gujarat Control of Organized Crime Bill 2003 there are policy issues which need to b sorted out and no time-frame can be fixed for achieving the same.